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AUTOMATION OF ASSESSMENT USING RUBRICS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to receipt of an action on the merits, please enter the following amendment to the claims. No fee is believed to be required to have this preliminary amendment entered and considered. However, should the undersigned attorney be mistaken the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account no.: 50-0510 for any fee deficiency.

Please amend the application as shown below.